OUR PASTOR

Who is it that calls when we are ill
With cheerful words and right good will,
And lingers gently then to pray
And smooths our care and fear away?
Our Pastor!

Who is it that comes when sorrow falls,
When death of friends our heart appalls,
And tells us of the mansions fair
And that sweet home, "just over there"?
Our Pastor!

Who is it that shares our happiest hours,
When life is crowned with wedding flowers,
And to the scene lends added grace
By reverent voice and kindly face?
Our Pastor!

Who is it that on Sabbath day
Points us to heaven, and leads the way,
And brings a message from the Word,
Until, our hearts within are stirred?
Our Pastor!

For whom then shall we daily pray
And ask for him God's grace always,
And wish for him a glad New Year,
With newborn souls his heart to cheer?
Our Pastor!

(Lena G. Browne)

Pastor Recognition Day At Vera Church of God

Rev. Larry W. Carroll, pastor of the Vera Church of God, will be honored by his congregation on Sunday, April 8. This day has been designated "Pastor Recognition Sunday." The special event is to give recognition to Rev. Carroll for his outstanding contribution to the community as a pastor and leader.

Rev. Carroll came to Appomattox in January of 1978. Since that time he has earned the respect of the community as a result of his complete dedication to God in trying to reach the lost and bringing them to a Saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. Rev. Carroll also has a radio program called "Echo's From Calvary" that comes on at 1 p.m. every Saturday.

The Sunday School will present Rev. Carroll with a special award at the conclusion of the 10 a.m. Sunday School hour. The Ladies Auxiliary of the Vera Church of God will honor the pastor with a buffet style dinner at 12:45 p.m. on Sunday, April 8, in the Fellowship Hall at the Church.

Friends of Rev. Carroll are invited to attend the observance.

Complete EMT Course

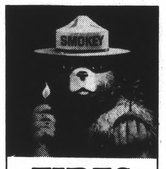
An Emergency Medical Technician course, taught at the Appomattox County Rescue Squad building, was recently completed. Receiving their certificates last week were, front row, left to right, Paul McClary, junior member of ACRS; Richard Bartelt, Virginia Franklin, Dale Franklin, members of ACRS; and Pam Snoddy of Buckingham; and on back row, from left, Tony Clifton of Gladstone; Nellie Almond, Abner Scruggs, Jimmy Rogers and Harry Ferguson, Jr., members of ACRS; Thomas Snoddy and Betty Zieger of Buckingham; and, on end, Instructor Harry Bryant, Jr.

Completing the course but not present for photo were Gordon Staples, Pete Doss, Toby Inge and Ray Noble, members of the Appomattox County Rescue Squad; and Gay Phelps, student nurse from Appomattox.

Troop 546 Earns Blue Ribbon

Scouts from Troop 546 of Appomattox earned a second place blue ribbon for participation in the Scout Show which was held at Wake Field House on the campus of Lynchburg College Saturday. The theme of the booth set up and manned by Scouts from Troop 546 was "Camping Can Be Fun". Using posters, displays, and a slide presentation of actual troop camping trips the booth showed camping fun as experienced by Troop 546. Scouts participating were David Totty, Mike Carmody, Luis Garcia, David Vaughan, Ben Martin, Darryl Martin, Jimmy McFadden, Eduardo Garcia, Ronald Reed, Bentley Nash, and Roger Steinkamp (not pictured).

Troop 546 meets at St. Anne's Church on Oakleigh Ave. each Wednesday at 7 p.m. All boys 11-18 years of age are invited to attend. Danny Garrett is the Scoutmaster and Allen Harville is assistant scoutmaster.



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MRS. REYNOLDS IS ATTENDING INSURANCE INSTITUTE

Ann M. Reynolds of Scott Insurance, of Appomattox, is attending a Personal Lines Institute at the University of Virginia this week.

The Institute, sponsored by The Professional Insurance Agents Association of Virginia and the District of Columbia, is being held April 4 through 7 at the School of Continuing Education on the University grounds.

The 75 agents from Virginia and the District of Columbia will be learning about several areas of insurance and how to better serve their clients. The subjects are homeowners insurance, private automobile insurance, boat and yacht insurance, and life insurance.

Instructors at the school are Norman R. Cohen, president of Diplomat Agency in Valley Stream, New York; Robert Nelson of Aetna Insurance Co., in Atlanta, Ga., John Pugh, CLU, of Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co., in Newport News, and Kenneth W. Morrison, CIC, president of Central Insurance Service in Portsmouth.

The Institute is part of the Certified Insurance Counselor (CIC) program, which consists of four studies with comprehensive examinations which must be successfully completed before the CIC designation is conferred.

The CIC program is less than three years old in Virginia and only 37 Virginia agents and four District of Columbia agents have received the designation. There are about 2000 persons with the CIC designation in the United States.

VA QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

EDITOR'S NOTE: Following are representative questions answered daily by VA counselors. Full information is available from any VA office.

Q - Who is eligible for a non-service connected death pension?

A - All widows, widowers and children of veterans who have had 90 days wartime service and were discharged under conditions other than dishonorable are basically eligible for a non-service connected death pension based on need. For further information contact your nearest Veterans Administration office.

Q - Should a veteran move into a home being purchased through a GI loan before approval of the loan by the Veterans Administration?

A - No. If this is done, the veteran runs the risk of having to either move out of find other financing in the event he cannot meet VA qualificaitons.

Q - What does VA accomplish with vocational adjustment counseling?

A - Vocational adjustment counseling assists veterans in resolving personal and emotional problems. It is provided whenever it is found that such problems disrupt, or may adversely affect successful completion of a trainee's program.

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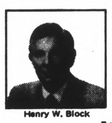
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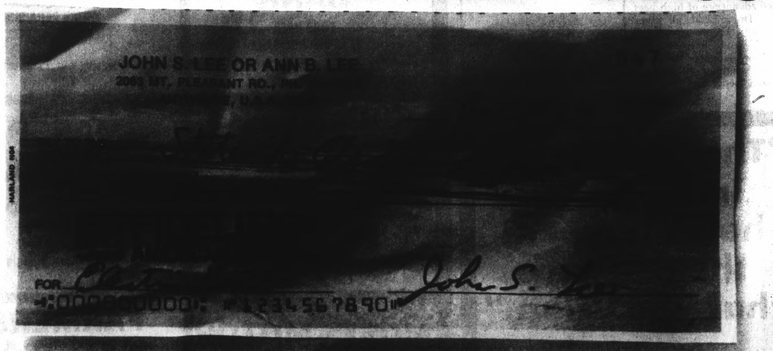

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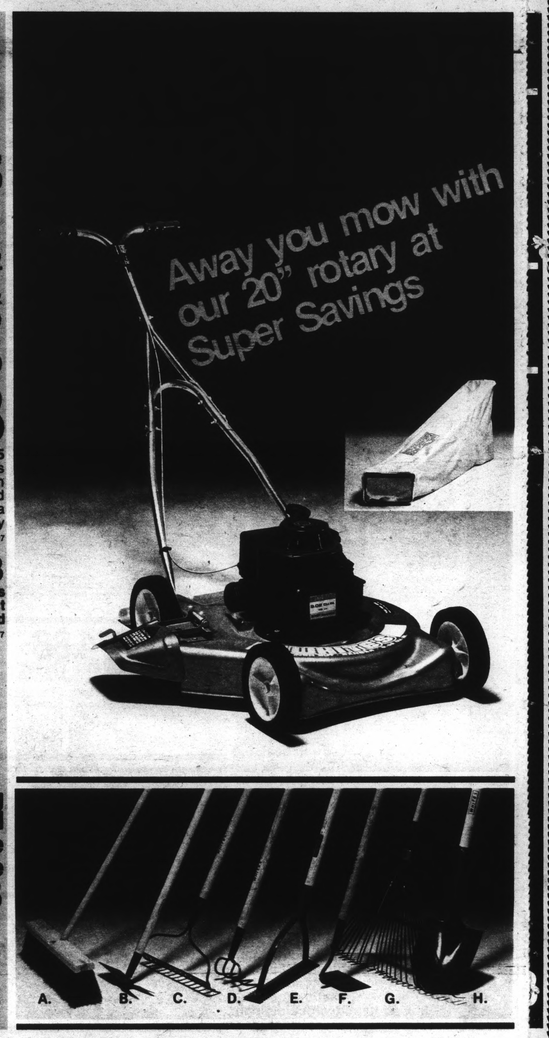
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